

Leaders Call For Evangelism Of The Americas

DALLAS (BP)—The president of the Brazilian-Baptist Convention, speaking to 8,000 Texas Baptists here, issued a challenge for Southern Baptists to take the lead in conducting an evangelism campaign covering the entire American Hemisphere in 1970.

Rubens Lopes of Sao Paulo, Brazil, told the Texas Baptist Evangelism Conference of plans for a nation-wide Baptist evangelistic campaign in Brazil this year, and then said that the United States needs such a campaign even more than Brazil.

He suggested that Baptists of every country in South,

Central, and North America unite in 1970 for one, huge campaign of

"And if we can why not a Evangel in 1975," he

Lopes, pastor of the Vila Mariana Baptist Church of Sao Paulo for 24 years and president of the largest Baptist convention in South America, spoke immediately following a message by Southern Baptist Convention President

Wayne Dehoney, head of the largest North American Baptist Convention.

Dehoney, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Jackson, Tenn., called for the SBC to end a period of self-analysis and criticism and launch the

greatest evangelistic and missionary offensive the world has ever known.

Lopes added to Dehoney's plea.

"If the Southern Baptist Convention went into an America-wide campaign in

1970 and a world-wide campaign in 1975, Baptists would have the money and manpower to make an impression on the world even greater than communism," Lopes said.

He said that the evangelism campaign in Brazil had already been so successful that it would be an even greater blessing to the other countries of America, including the United States.

Campaign Begins Jan. 31

The campaign in Brazil officially gets underway on Jan. 31 at the close of the Baptist Convention of Brazil meeting in Rio de Janeiro at a giant kick-off rally in a 200,000 seat stadium with Baptist World Alliance president Joao Soren as speaker.

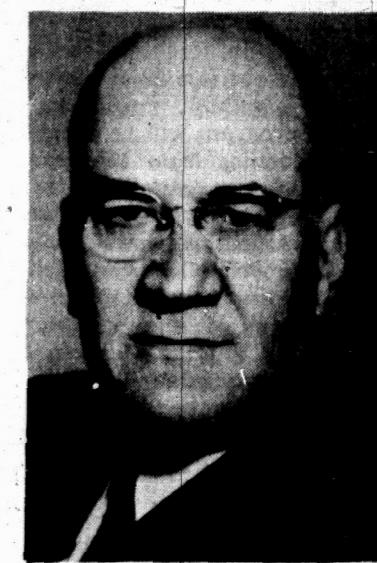
Revival meetings are scheduled in each of the 2,000 Baptist churches and missions of Brazil during March, April and May of 1965.

Lopes, who suggested the nation-wide Brazilian campaign in 1963 to Southern Baptist missionaries, said that the United States needs a similar campaign even more than Brazil for two main reasons. Neither are problems in Brazil, he said.

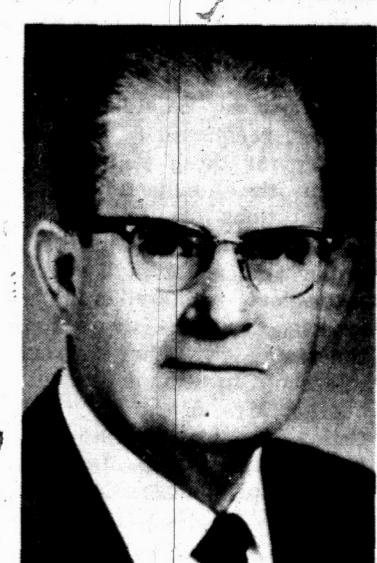
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Dr. Billy Graham



Dr. C. Oscar Johnson



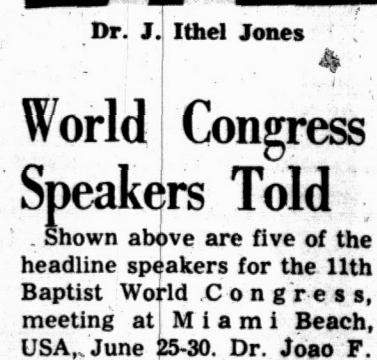
Dr. Herschel H. Hobbs



Dr. Joao F. Soren



Dr. J. Ithel Jones



Shown above are five of the headline speakers for the 11th Baptist World Congress, meeting at Miami Beach, USA, June 25-30. Dr. Joao F. Soren of Rio de Janeiro, president of the Baptist World Alliance, will make the presidential address.

Dr. Herschel H. Hobbs of Oklahoma City, past president of the Southern Baptist Convention and preacher on the Southern Baptist Radio Hour, will bring the keynote address.

Dr. John Ithel Jones of Cardiff, Wales, principal of the Southern Wales Baptist College, will preach the congress sermon.

Dr. Billy Graham, evangelist, will preach at two evening sessions in the Orange Bowl.

Dr. C. Oscar Johnson of Berkeley, Calif., past president of the Baptist World Alliance, will make the coronation address. Theodore F. Adams, chairman of the congress program committee, said that 51 nations are represented on the draft program.

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Required Rule Is Attacked

WASHINGTON (BP)—A member of the Federal Communications Commission is calling for reconsideration of the policies of the commission in regard to religious broadcasting.

"The time seems to be long past due for the FCC to analyze and reconsider its practices and doctrines in the light of the first amendment and to extend the constitutional principle and the great spirit of religious liberty to American broadcasting," he said.

Commissioner Lee Loewinger issued his challenge to the six other FCC commissioners in an address to the 22nd annual meeting of the National Religious Broadcasters.

The National Religious Broadcasters is an organization of persons who use radio and television for the advance of their religion. They follow closely the National Association of Evangelicals.

In his speech Loewinger reviewed the history of Supreme Court decisions relating to religious liberty and separation of church and state. His conclusion was that the constitution restraints government of all categories and all the agents of government from intruding into the religious life of the nation. He pointed out that the position of government in regard to religion is one of neutrality.

The whole tenor of the Supreme Court decisions in relation to religious liberty, Loewinger said, is to forbid government from requiring or regulating religion.

At the present time it is the policy of the Federal Communications Commission to require religious programming when broadcasters seek licenses or renewal of licenses.

The commissioner reported that the Federal Communications Commission "has stated that his judgment of religious programming is not based on the percentage of time devoted to religion, and that 'The percentages are not so important as the content and make-up of the over-all program category.'"

He added that the commission has preferred applicants on the basis of its analysis of the content of their proposed religious programs. Also it has imposed a demerit against others because

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DEHONEY TO APPEAR ON STATEWIDE TV

DR. WAYNE DEHONEY of Jackson, Tenn., president of the Southern Baptist Convention, will deliver a major 30-minute address on Station WLBT (Channel 3), Jackson, Miss., Feb. 21 at 5:00 p.m. Dr. Dehoney (center) chats with Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer, (right) and Rev. Elmer Howell, state Brotherhood secretary, soon after he completed the video-taping of the address on Friday afternoon of last week at the WLBT studios. The tape will be offered to other television and radio stations in the state for later use, Dr. Quarles said. The address by Dr. Dehoney is being sponsored by the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, under the leadership of the Brotherhood Department.

Religious Leaders Agree On Aid Bill

WASHINGTON (BP)—Protestant and Catholic spokesmen testified in general support of President Johnson's \$1.25 billion program of aid to education. The support ranged all the way from caution to enthusiastic endorsement. All agreed that public funds should not be used for public purposes.

Formerly the Catholics stood firmly opposed to all education plans that did not include parochial schools.

Equally adamant were the Protestants in their insistence that public funds be used for public purposes.

The common meeting ground is that no public funds shall be used for religious instruction or aid to church schools but that pupils in private schools can be constitutionally aided with certain

services by public agencies.

None of the witnesses thought that the present proposed program is a perfect solution to the education needs of the nation. But they did agree that it represents a major breakthrough in the religious issue and in help to the nation's needy pupils.

Baptists Testify

Testifying for the Protestants were C. Emanuel Carlson, executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs; Arthur S. (Continued on page 2)

BY ANNUITY BOARD—

Health Program Set

DALLAS, Tex. (BP)—A health program to be administered by the Southern Baptist Annuity Board and to be underwritten by Group Hospital Services, Inc. of Dallas was approved by trustees during their 47th annual meeting here.

The health program which will be offered to ministers, church and denominational employees was one of three recommendations the trustees approved; R. Alton Reed, executive secretary of the board, said.

The trustees also authorized the board to institute electronic data processing as soon as possible, and to credit 4 per cent to actual reserves in the pooled plans and 4½ per cent to purchased plans, the highest ever paid. Previous highs were in 1963, when 4 and 4½ per cent were credited to the respective plans.

Reed said the health program will provide plans to offer hospitalization - surgical - major medical benefits.

He said the board will direct the promotion of the program and will bill members for dues. Group hospital services (Blue Cross - Blue Shield), the underwriting company, will handle and pay all claims.

Reed said a special committee of the Baptist Hospital Association has worked cooperatively for over ten years with the Annuity Board to bring about this health program.

The committee, whose chairman is Frank Groner, business administrator of Bap-

tist Memorial Hospital, Memphis, Tenn., recommended the board's health program to the association during its meeting in Chicago in January.

Reed said details of the program is now being drafted with promotion of it to start in early spring. The board hopes to have the health program in operation by October

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Baptist Layman Gets Foundation Award

Owen Cooper of Yazoo City, was one of three outstanding Mississippi citizens receiving the First Federal Foundation Award, presented by the Uni-

versity of Mississippi, on Saturday evening, January 30.

Others receiving the award were Dr. Arthur Clifton Guyton of Jackson, and Miss Eu-

genea Welty of Jackson.

In the citation attention was called to Mr. Cooper's activities in the church and denomination, as well as his services in business, and civic affairs in the state.

Concerning his church activities the citation read, "Owen Cooper has a long history of leadership in the fields of business, church and civic affairs."

"A Baptist lay preacher, Mr. Cooper has held major positions in the Mississippi Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention." Two of his outstanding contributions to his church have been in encouraging lay participation in denominational

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Owen Cooper

STATEMENT GIVEN BY S. S. BOARD

NASHVILLE — The members of the elected Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, meeting in Nashville on January 25 and 26, 1965, have been fully advised by the administration of the agency regarding the unintentional error listing certain inappropriate books in The Training Union Quarterly for Young People seventeen through twenty-four years of age in the third quarter of 1964.

This elected board has also been fully advised regarding the steps taken concerning involved personnel and procedures responsible for permitting such a situation to arise. We have been further fully advised concerning the information that has been made

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'Prayerlift' Is

Answer To Plea

MEMPHIS (BP)—An appeal to pray for the success of the nationwide Brazilian Baptist Revivals has been accepted in behalf of church brotherhoods by the Southern Baptist Convention Brotherhood Commission here.

"This is an opportunity for Christian men to show concern for people in other lands in an unusual way," said George W. Schroeder, Memphis, executive secretary of the commission.

The prayer project, expected to involve thousands of churches with brotherhoods, has been titled "Operation Prayerlift." It will be conducted March through May, during which time the Bra-

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Nursing Preview Day Planned For Gilfoyle School

A "Preview of Nursing Day" will be held by the faculty and students of the Gilfoyle School of Nursing, Mississippi Baptist Hospital, in Jackson on Saturday, February 6.

Registration time is 9:30 a.m. in the School of Nursing lobby. This activity is being planned to acquaint persons interested in a nursing career with the curriculum available in this institution.

The program will be opened by welcomes from Mr. Paul Pryor, hospital administrator; Mrs. Mary Holyfield, director of the School of Nursing, and Miss Rebecca Geiger, student body president. An informal discussion of the different phases of student life and school curriculum will be given by a faculty - student panel. Entertainment will be provided by a student group.

Following the program, tours of the new school and dormitory facilities will be offered to answer any questions concerning the program.

The day's events will be concluded at 1:00 p.m. by a dutch-treat luncheon held in the hospital cafeteria. Advance registration is necessary for those planning to attend the luncheon.

Invitations to "Preview of Nursing" have been sent to junior and senior high school counselors, pastors, and interested students throughout the state. Any other persons interested in attending should contact Mrs. Mary Holyfield, Gilfoyle School of Nursing, 1121, North State Street, Jackson, Mississippi, before February 3rd.

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(Continued from Page 1) been stocked in Baptist book stores.

We also reaffirm our confidence in the administration and in the personnel of the Sunday School Board as to their dedication to God's task and to the objectives of the agency as stated by the Southern Baptist Convention. We appreciate the magnitude of the publication and education tasks of the agency, and the multitude of possibilities for misunderstanding or mistake. Through the years, there have been remarkably few significant errors. For this we are thankful to God and grateful to careful and proficient personnel. It is our prayer that future publications and educational programs will continue inasmuch as is humanly possible with the help of the Holy Spirit to be free from human flaws, to be Biblically based, doctrinally sound, and always honoring God.

Leaders Call For -

(Continued from Page 1) "There are two big fists pointed at the Baptist heart in the United States," he said. "One is Catholicism, the other is modernism."

He charged that the Catholic Hierarchy is staging a long-range effort to take charge and dominate the United States. "You don't believe this?" he asked. Then he answered: "How naive you are."

Later, in an interview, Lopes explained that he saw two "terrible methods" Catholics are using in the United States to gain control: First, by influencing and interfering in the nation's public schools system; and second by stimulating a high birth rate among their church members.

"In the next 100 years, through schools and large families the Catholics will take control of the United States because they realize that the child of today will become the leader of tomorrow," Lopes declared.

Lopes expressed disgust because the Second Vatican Council split over the religious liberty issue and tabled the matter indefinitely.

"But I am, not here to say that Baptists should be anti-Catholic," he said. "God is Love and we should love Catholics and all other people."

He told the Texas Evangelism Conference that the United States is the fortress of the gospel of the world. "If that fortress should fall, woe unto us," he said.

About 16 out of every 100 teen-age girls are now married.



First, Brookhaven, Stresses Standards

Travis Tadlock (far left) Sunday School Supt., presents the last of three Primary Standards to Mrs. Altus Holton (far right) minister of education, presents the last of four Beginner standards to Mrs. Roy Adams. Now all seven of the Beginner and Primary Departments are Standard. Next to Mrs. Holmes are Primary Supts. Mrs. R. S. Nowlin and Mrs. C. F. Patterson. (fifth from left) Mrs. Orlie Price, Be-

ginner - Primary Coordinator holds up the challenge for all other units and the entire school. The school lacks only an increase in enrollment to match its resident church membership to achieve this goal. The Adult Thrust has been adopted to begin in February and will surely add the needed drive. The Standard Beginner Depart-

Episcopalians Commend Required Rule -

(Continued from Page 1) of a "lack or weakness in religious programming."

Policies Challenged

The point at issue in Loevinger's challenge of present policies is whether or not the Federal Communications Commission as an agent of government can constitutionally require broadcasters to include religion in their programming.

The Commissioner said that the commission "has gone far beyond the limits that have been marked by the Supreme Court as permissible government action in the field of religion."

He charged that "The FCC rushes in where government agents are forbidden to tread when it requires religious programming and determines that a certain amount of religious broadcasting is or is not adequate or excessive, or that the public interest is or is not served by the broadcasting of particular views on religion or of the views of particular churches or sects, and when it awards a preference or demerit on the basis of an official judgment as to the quantity, quality or content of religious broadcasting—all of which it has done in reported cases."

In October 1963 the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs sponsored a religious liberty conference on "Church - state Relations in Mass Communications." One hundred and forty Baptist leaders from seven national Baptist bodies met for the discussions.

The conference concluded that government controls are necessary for the protection of the rights and liberties of all in the mass media of communications. Referring to radio and television the conference said that "The airways are public but the facilities are private to be regulated by the government for the public good."

The Baptist leaders recognized the complex problems in religious broadcasting but appealed for application of the principles of religious liberty both for the broadcasters, the public, the churches and individuals.

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(Continued from Page 1) affairs and in participation in preaching missions to pioneer areas of the United States."

Other references to his religious activities are found later in the citation. "In 1960 Mr. Cooper received an honorary LLD from Mississippi College in recognition of his outstanding service as a Baptist lay leader. He is a former president of the state Baptist Student Union, the Mississippi Baptist Convention, and of the Board of Trustees of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. He is a present member of the executive committee of the Southern Baptist Convention and serves his local church as deacon, chairman of the Missions Committee and Sunday School Teacher."

The citation also lists many other activities and places of leadership Mr. Cooper has held in the state and beyond.

The First Federal Award is made annually to three outstanding citizens of the state. This is the seventh year that the awards have been made.

Episcopalians Commend Baptists

(Continued from page 1) find the most feasible and economical method for operating the board's program.

In his report to the trustees, Reed highlighted the board's work during 1964. He said \$3,450,470 was paid in benefits to annuitants. Some \$182,558 of this amount went to relief beneficiaries. This brought the total paid in benefits by the board since its beginning in 1918, to more than \$47,000,000.

Reed said funds held in trust for more than 35,000 ministers, church and denominational employees rose to \$135,354,421, an increase of \$15,807,642 over 1963.

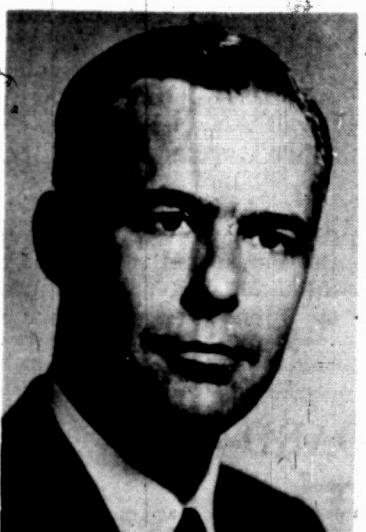
Last year, 1,392 persons and 589 churches joined the Southern Baptist Protection Plan, a slight decrease from 1963. Reed said. This decrease had been expected, however, Reed added.

Reed said 125 of the 176 agencies in the convention now have retirement plans for their employees, an increase of seven over 1963.

Relief beneficiaries decreased from 722 in 1963, to 645, Reed said.



Mrs. Lowery Compre



Dr. James Hendrix



Miss Lucy Wright

Gilfoyle Focus Week Ready



Miss Marjene Patterson



Rev. G. C. Cox

ary to Korea; Mrs. Lowery Compre, wife of president of Clarke College; Dr. James Hendrix, plastic surgeon of Jackson; Rev. G. C. Cox, pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church in Jackson. Jimmy Cutrell, senior

at Mississippi College, will be

leading the singing; and

Rookie Stowers, senior from

Mississippi College will serve

as pianist. Miss Gwen Powell

will serve as faculty advisor

and Miss Kathryn Bearden as

B.S.U. Director.

Hinson In Charge

LOUISVILLE (BP) — G. Maurice Hinson, Professor in the School of Church Music, will assume administrative responsibility for the school next semester at Southern Baptist Seminary here. Hinson has been on the faculty since 1957 and will serve in the place of Dean Forrest H. Heeren. Heeren will be on Sabbatical leave at the University of Indiana.

Spanish Church Meets Challenge

First Baptist Church, Madrid, Spain, has baptized 45 persons this year, and it will hold baptismal services each month for a while to provide for the remainder of the more than 100 persons who have made public professions of faith.

In this way the church is meeting the challenge of certain groups in Spain which continue to bring pressure on the Government to prevent new laws dealing with the rights of non-Catholic minorities from being enacted by the Spanish legislature, reports a Southern Baptist representative in Spain.

Rev. Juan Luis Rodrigo, pastor of the church, outlined the challenge in a sermon, preached November 22, by telling the congregation that no human authority can prevent a person from witnessing because every believer is a living testimony. "Witnessing is the natural work of every church," he said. "It is the work of every follower of Jesus Christ. If you have peace in your heart you must be a witness that every man can have peace through Jesus Christ. If you have love in your heart you must be a witness that every man can know that God is love."

Many people say that Spanish Protestants are insignificant and do not amount to anything, but if you have been saved you are something. God has not saved you in order to be a witness that every man can have peace through Jesus Christ. If you have love in your heart you must be a witness that every man can know that God is love.

"While it is true that we need gifts for Brazil, we need the prayers of Southern Baptists more for this cause."

Schroeder made these suggestions for churches wishing to participate in the South American crusade through prayer.

Names To Be Provided

The Brotherhood Commission will provide the names of individual Brazilian church presidents and pastors (if the church has no brotherhood) who request them.

These leaders may write the pastor of the Brazilian church for specific things that church wants them to pray for.

Schroeder suggested the two church leaders also may arrange by mail for a simultaneous prayer period involving members of both churches although they are thousands of miles apart. Persons requesting names of churches as prayer objects also will receive suggestions for conducting prayer periods, Schroeder said.

About 2,000 Brazilian Baptist churches and 4,000 preaching points will take part in the crusade. Missionaries and national pastors will conduct the services in Portuguese.

Religious Leaders -

(Continued from Page 1) Flemming, president of the University of Oregon and former secretary of the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, and now first vice-president of the National Council of Churches; and H. B. Sissel, secretary for National Affairs of the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.

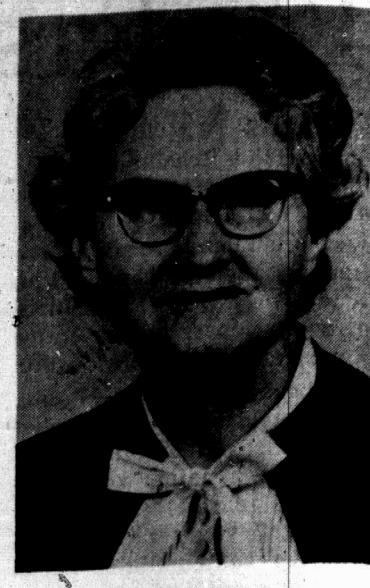
In his testimony Carlson pointed out a number of weak spots in the proposed education bill as far as proper church-state relations are concerned. He made a number of specific, positive suggestions to the Congress for the correction of these weaknesses. He expressed hope that "the church-state issues in being resolved in favor of religious freedom."

Carlson insisted that the bill should contain assurances (1) That no religious institutions would acquire property at public expense, (2) That no public funds would be used to meet institutional program needs, and (3) That the state should keep complete control of the spending of the funds, the ownership of the property, and the terms on which personal use is made of it.

He said that if this were done "there would be no religious issues raised because the materials are public school materials, and best of all, there would be no eroded confidence resulting from charges of evading the law."

Since the proposed aid would include needy pupils in private schools as well as in public schools, Fleming asked the congress to provide five safeguards against aid to religious schools. They are:

1. That benefits for students not include "grants from federal, state or local tax funds for non-public elementary and



MISS MARY ANN HOLMES, member of First Church, Aberdeen, has been awarded the Special Citation Diploma of the Church Study Course, having completed the 100 required books. (Mrs. W. E. Hunter, Superintendent of Training, is the only other person in that church who has received this award.) Miss Holmes is Superintendent of the Extension Department and Chairman of a WMU circle. Rev. N. F. Davis, Jr., is pastor.

secondary schools;

2. That benefits for students must be determined and administered by public authorities responsible to the electorate;

3. That the benefits should be identifiable by the students as public services;

4. That the benefit program not be used directly or indirectly for the inculcation of religion or the teaching of sectarian doctrine; and

5. That, in the administration of the program, there be no discrimination by reason of race, religion, class, or national origin in the distribution of the benefits.

"Edgar Fuller, executive secretary of the Council of Chief State School Officers, testified in favor of the president's education bill with certain changes he suggested. His testimony agreed in virtually every respect with that given earlier by Carlson of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs. The principles for the solution of the church-state dilemma were the same from both men."

The Roman Catholic educators, while approving the proposed bill, did so with considerable caution. Hochwalt described it as "a workable compromise" and as "obviously an accommodation." He stated his view as "one of reserved approval and cautious optimism."

Witnesses In Favor

WASHINGTON (BP)—Witnesses at hearings in the House of Representatives and the Senate insist that the proposed federal aid to education bill does not violate the constitution and the principles of separation of church and state.

Representing the Johnson administration and the nation's education leadership, the witnesses have all been favorable toward the proposed \$1.25 billion education program asked by the president.

Their testimony on the constitutionality of the bill was adamant in spite of seeming contradictions in the bill and in the positions of their organizations.

Rep. Carl Perkins (D., Ky.), chairman of the special subcommittee on education in the House, asked every witness if any part of the bill violates the constitution. Sen. Wayne Morse (D., Ore.), chairman of the senate subcommittee on education, asked the same question.

The uniform answer has been that the bill provides for no aid to parochial schools, but rather, aid to school children. Therefore, they said, aid to religious agencies is not involved.

Anthony J. Celebrezze, Secretary of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, along with Francis Keppler, Commissioner of Education, testified before both the House and Senate committees.

At the Senate hearing Sen. Jacob K. Javits (R., N.Y.) asked Celebrezze if the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare still held to the church-state principles set forth in a legal brief of 1961 which prohibited across the board public aid to parochial schools.

The secretary replied that the proposed bill had been submitted to the Justice Department for an examination of the church-state aspects that might be in it. He reported that a letter from the Justice Department said the bill meets the constitutional test.

INDIA'S PRESIDENT SAYS BIRTH CONTROL 'NECESSITY'

NEW DELHI (EP) — President Radhakrishnan has appealed to Indians to recognize the "necessity" for birth control.

In a message issued in connection with a "Family Planning Week" observed throughout the country, he said the rapid increase in population was one of the "most disquieting" problems India faces.

Dr. Radhakrishnan said the enrichment of the life of the people and their health and happiness depended on birth control. The message is believed to be the President's most forthright public statement so far in support of family limitation.

Urban Fringe Study Finds Church "Friction Stage"

ATLANTA (BP)—A seminary-directed research project which studied the church in the rural-urban fringe reports a "friction stage" in the development of churches.

Carl A. Clark of Fort Worth reported the project findings to the annual meeting here of the Southern Baptist Long Range Rural Church Committee.

Clark, professor of pastoral ministry at Southwestern Seminary, directed the study as a joint project of the seminary and the urban-rural department of the Home Mission Board.

The project studied 100 churches in urban fringe areas to determine the effect of the mass influx of new families.

Clark, a recognized authority in rural church matters, led students to gather information by interview and by questionnaire.

According to the report, the friction resulted in a clash between the culture of old established residents of a small community with noticeably rural characteristics and the culture of newcomers who are predominately urban in culture and outlook.

Some friction, coming with a rapid influx of people, was called normal. The type of cultural pattern in the old community seemed to determine the degree.

The more wealthy and class conscious the "Old-timers" the more likely they were to resent the "installment buying" of the newcomers. The friction was less if both groups were of the same background.

The report found if the growth of an area or a church is slow and the "Old-timers" have time to see what is happening, they often plan to combat it.

But if the growth is rapid, there is less friction because the older residents become a minority before they realize what has happened.

"Friction Stage" Key

The "friction stage" cited by the report appeared to be a key to the growth of the church.

Churches with friction while making the transition from a rural to an urban community reported poorer ratios of membership to Baptisms and to growth through additions from other churches.

Churches could avoid friction, the study found, by preparing the church for the influx of new people.

"None of the churches made specific plans to enlarge their program when the subdivision was being built," the report indicates. "Therefore, they were not ready for rapid growth."

Contrary to some popular opinions, and even the opinion of some pastors of churches studied, these rapidly growing rural-urban fringe churches are not growing as fast as the communities.

The basic fault pointed out by the study was the churches failed to plan long range and build in units that can be added to later.

New churches established in the rural-urban fringe area did not report hardships

in transition, and thus show better growth records.

The report found other problems for the rural urban

fringe church, including lack of sufficient leadership, inadequate finances, the impersonal nature of the church.

MEN'S QUARTET, CALVARY CHURCH TUPELO—Left to right: Ted Brady, baritone; Dennis Brady, first tenor; Dr. Jack Stacy, bass, Jack Day, second tenor.

Tupelo Quartet To Appear At SBC

The men's quartet, Calvary Church, Tupelo, has accepted an invitation to appear on the program of the Southern Baptist Convention when it meets in Dallas, Texas, May 31-June 4. The group will first sing for the Pastors' Conference, then the Convention program to follow.

The quartet was selected for its unusual song styling of the old favorite Gospel hymns. The men have sung for churches and civic organizations.

Rev. W. L. Day is pastor.

ions throughout North Mississippi. They will sing for the Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference at the Harrisburg Baptist Church in Tupelo, February 8. The quartet will be accompanied by Mrs. Heber Simmons, organist of Calvary Baptist Church.

A recent recording by this quartet has taken beautiful hymn arrangements into the homes of hundreds of people, according to Jack Day, music director at Calvary.

The Post editorial in part follows:

"There is not the slightest doubt, of course, that a large part of the public wants to have a chance to hear and see religious programs on the air. And there is not the slightest doubt, either, that broadcasters ought to satisfy their interest.

"The only problem arises when a federal agency requires the holders of federal licenses to foster religious worship. It is very hard indeed to reconcile this with the Supreme Court's declaration that 'in the relationship between man and religion, the state is firmly committed to a position of neutrality.'

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Washington Post Questions Law On Religious TV

WASHINGTON, D.C. (RNS)—A Washington newspaper has joined in raising the question—Is it constitutional for the Federal Communications Commission to require radio and television stations to carry religious programs?

The Washington Post in an editorial agreed with communications attorney Marcus Cohn when he raised the question in an article appearing in the Jan. 14 edition of The Reporter magazine.

Serious doubts also have been raised within the FCC itself, with commissioner Lee Loewinger publicly questioning the constitutionality of requiring broadcasters to include religion on their agenda, along with 13 other "community needs" spelled out in the regulations.

Religion is listed as a community need which must be met in radio and television programming by the agency.

Mr. Cohn, Commissioner Loewinger, and The Washington Post have referred to a 1947 U.S. Supreme Court ruling in the Everson case which held that the federal government may not "... influence a person to go or to remain away from church."

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REV. HARVEY J. KNEISEL, JR., Southern Baptist missionary to British Guiana, preaches to a group assembled for a baptismal service on the island of Wakenaam.

Baptist Church Organized On Island Without A Name

It takes dedicated men—modern Johnny Appleseeds—to plant seeds on the island without a name.

And like the seeds of the fabled Johnny and certainly like the seeds of the biblical sower, only a portion take root and blossom into something tangible.

That something tangible is what a team of dedicated men on a nameless bit of soil in South America are in search of. What these Southern Baptist missionaries and national Baptists sow has been sown before, says Rev. Harvey J.

Kneisel, Jr., but "in too limited and feeble a manner." It is estimated that only 5 percent of the people are Christians.

On the top floor of a building on the island of Wakenaam (meaning "without a name"), in British Guiana, a tiny congregation of East Indian Christians have formed the Maria's Pleasure Baptist Church (the second Baptist church organized in British Guiana since Southern Baptist missionaries began working in the little country in 1962).

The first floor, says Rev. Otis W. Brady, Southern Baptist missionary, is the meeting place of an organization of politically active young people attached to a Communist-oriented party.

The men gathered there, says Mr. Brady, laugh at, deride, and keep a close eye on the believers, looking for the slightest slip. But, whether they realize it or not, some of what they see is sinking in, and their vile and derisive comments, designed as persecution, serve only to strengthen the Christians in their resolve to prove, by their example, that their way of life is the right way.

What they see is, indeed, sinking in. Said one of Pastor Campbell, "He walks down the same road he talks."

"I can tell you of one man who was really changed," remarked another. "You know Teacher George."

Teacher George is George Kumar, a Hindu who allowed the seed to take root. He, his mother, his sister Norma (also a teacher), and two other relatives defied the opposition of George's father and became Christians.

The work has been slow, but rewarding, since Mr. and Mrs. Brady initiated Southern Baptist work in British Guiana two years ago.

They, Mr. and Mrs. Kneisel,

and Mr. Campbell, a graduate of Bahamas Baptist Institute, do not face the task as an insurmountable one.

"The Light will shine brightly in this little country on the shoulder of South America where terrorists are active, fear and anxiety the daily menu, and opposition is building up rapidly against Christians," says Mr. Brady.

"We know that where these conditions prevail, God's love, justice, and power are needed and will be needed if presented."

Perhaps it will be needed some day by the old man under the tamarind tree who tells them, in the vilest of terms, "Rum is my savior!"

Perhaps the island "without a name" will some day embrace a name—the name of Christ.

Literacy Meet Planned For Lee County Area

Miss Mildred Blankenship, literacy worker of the Department of Associational Missions of the Home Mission Board, will lead a literacy workshop at the Verona Church Feb. 15-16.

Sponsoring the workshop will be the Lee County Baptist Woman's Missionary Union with everyone from the entire Tupelo area welcome to attend.

The day classes will be from 9:30 A.M. until 2:00 P.M. with those attending asked to bring a sack lunch. The host church will provide drinks.

The evening classes will be from 7:00 till 9:30 P.M. There will be no charges for the course but those attending will be expected to purchase a textbook.

Rev. W. Harold Anderson is Lee County Superintendent of Missions.

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"MAN AND BOY RALLIES"

The third Annual area Man and Boy Rallies will be held in the months of March and April. This year we have added an area which gives a total of five meetings.

The dates and places are as follows:

March 12—South, First, Hattiesburg

March 26—Northwest, First, Leland

April 9—Southwest, First, Crystal Springs

April 23—Central, Clarke Memorial College, Newton

April 30—North, Calvary, Tupelo

Among the fourteen Dead Sea Scrolls scheduled to arrive in the United States from Jordan is the 12-foot long "Psalm Scroll," a spokesman at the Smithsonian Institution has announced.

These include (1) support for the first year's operation of the Navajo Training School near Farmington, N. M. (2)

Let The Church Be The Church

By Dr. Louis Benes
Editor, The Church Herald
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THERE ARE THREE MAJOR areas of concern in American life today about which the church is doing very little. They are automation, poverty, and civil rights." So says a regional director of the United Steelworkers of America, quoted in a *Church Herald* article some weeks ago.

Well now, this is interesting. Someone else joins the chorus of self-appointed critics of the church who, at quite regular intervals, assume the right to tell her what her duties are. And we who belong to the church have become so accustomed to being blamed for whatever is wrong in this evil world and being held responsible for setting everything in it right that we hesitate to defend ourselves against such criticism. Nevertheless, we get a little weary of hearing these critics sit in judgment upon the church, declaring to the church what they think she ought to be doing. It is possible that the church ought to tell such people to mind their own business, and she will mind hers?

Critics Offer Projects

The critics call upon the church of Jesus Christ to "do something" for every imaginable project and program, and find it so easy to make her the scapegoat when things go collectively wrong. Haven't you heard? The church has been here now for 2,000 years, and she has failed to prevent war! Yes, and she has failed to stop crime and poverty and bootlegging and ignorance and immorality and drunkenness and what not!

Milan Cathedral Now Complete

MILAN (RNS) — The Milan Cathedral, built in sections since 1397, was declared officially completed on the dedication of its fifth and last massive bronze door.

This last 16-foot door weighs eight tons. Designed by Lucian Minguzzi, noted modern artist, the bas-relief door depicts the history of the cathedral.

The cathedral is 515 feet long and 216 feet wide. It has a facade 184 feet high and many spires, tallest of which is 357 feet. Next to St. Peter's in Rome, it is the largest Catholic church in the world.

All sorts of organizations, many of them very good and necessary ones, too, want the church to get behind their drives and campaigns and promote their causes. The church should get behind the Red Cross, the community Chest, civil rights, Safe Driving Week, better government campaigns, anti-discrimination projects, Health Week—

you name it. You would think that the church had nothing else to do but push someone else's campaigns, that it had no purpose or message of its own at all.

The Church Responds

Perhaps we could make our point clear by reminding the Steelworkers' spokesman that

there are three areas of concern (maybe more) in American life in which the Steelworkers are doing very little. They are preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ; doing something about the growing consumption of alcohol and consequent increase in highway accidents, alcoholism, and broken homes; and working to preserve the American principle of the separation of church and state. Besides, what are the United Steelworkers doing to prevent juvenile delinquency, to fight crime, and to end the war in Viet Nam?

We can hear the answers coming fast: "But we are not organized to take care of

World Should Listen

If people were only as ready to listen to the gospel the church preaches as to point to what they think her duties are! But a number of those who think that the church should do something about poverty or war or suffering are not nearly so ready to listen when she declares the Ten Commandments, points out the need of a new birth, or sets forth God's demands for honest and holy living. Men are prone to turn a deaf ear when the church speaks of the greed and the lust and sloth and drunkenness which breed poverty, but they nevertheless expect the church to pick up the broken pieces of a pagan society.

Now, of course, if someone should say that Christians ought to be doing more in the areas of poverty, automation, and civil rights, we would immediately agree. Christian convictions and Christian compassion are sorely needed in these areas. In fact, Christians ought to express their dedicated concern for truth, righteousness, and mercy in action in every area of human life. They should become personally involved, not only in poverty, but in its causes, in racial discrimination, unemployment, lack of education, and other social evils.

Having conversed with many who voted against the North American Baptist Fellowship, the author—who supported it—is convinced that they who oppose it do not in any way desire that their opposition be interpreted as a lack of support of the BWA. Apparently, they interpreted the NABF and the BWA as entirely separate.

As one pastor who opposed the NABF said, "Those of us who feel the North American Baptist Fellowship to be a poor idea will be in Miami to cheer for the Baptist World Alliance."

A final reason in this brief statement as to why every Southern Baptist should support the Baptist World Alliance is that our denomination desires a means of expressing our profound Baptist convictions to an area greater than the southern part of the United States.

How else can this be done except through the BWA?

Having preached throughout most of the western world, it has been this writer's privilege to meet like-minded Baptist Christians in every place—some of them meeting in dynamic, small groups—others representing larger Baptist fellowships.

Never once did any of them cast aspersions at our denomination.

Many of them expressed the belief that Southern Baptists are the hope of evangelicalism throughout the earth.

These small Baptist groups need and deserve the rousing support of the nearly eleven million Southern Baptists.

Let us . . . be in Miami to cheer for the Baptist World Alliance."

But as far as she is concerned, let the church be the church!

New English Language Church In Germany

The Mountain View Baptist Church, established in Kassel, Germany a year ago as a mission of the English-language Baptist Church in Mainz, was organized as an independent church January 3. On the same day the Rev. Jack Carter was ordained and inducted as pastor of the new church.

The church is applying for membership in the European Baptist Convention (English-language) and in the (largely Baptist) Evangelical Free Church Union of Germany.—(EBPS)

Lewis W. Martin, of the Home Mission Board, director of school of missions in Southern Baptist churches, has reported 855,594 attending classes in 1964.

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THE BAPTIST RECORD 5



TEACHER CONDUCTS inspection at a Baptist kindergarten in Singapore, Malaysia. (FMB Photo)

The Art Of Taking Criticism

By James L. Sullivan
Executive
Secretary-Treasurer

In S.S. Board News Letter
Southern Baptists are schooled and skilled in many arts, but knowing how to take and adjust to criticism seems not to be one of them. Every severe word, whether constructive or unreasonable, seems to upset us. Christ dealt with this matter often. By his example he taught us that Criticism is inevitable and can be a compliment.

Perhaps we are uncomfortable in this because historically we have not been in a lead position as a denomination. As a sectional body we were not subjected to intense and unjustified attacks which are now unavoidable.

We have been an underdog, with a pioneer or rural background, small and often unnoticed, considered relatively insignificant. If there were criticisms, we were usually the ones dishing them out.

Suddenly, Southern Baptists awaken to nation-wide size and worldwide influence. We find ourselves the largest single body in the Baptist World Alliance. We have become the largest evangelical denomination of North America with the largest Sunday schools in the world.

Such is an enviable leadership position. Nondenominationalists, as well as anti-denominationalists, and independent religionists, sharpen their attacks. Professional critics, a multiplicity of rabble rousers, and even some leaders in the more recognized denominations, cast epithets our way. The experience has seemed to upset some of us dreadfully. Our skins have not been toughened by degrees, the change has been so rapid.

Such criticism is not only here, but it is here to stay. Furthermore, it will intensify as time passes because Southern Baptists will continue to grow. So we need to analyze the nature and causes of the criticism, and learn to take it in stride, recognizing that it is the expected price of leadership. At the same time, we must understand that it can be a good ingredient in solid growth and forward movement if we face it courageously and do not panic.

Jesus' Experience With Criticism

Jesus was not exempt from the problem of criticism, even though his life was perfect.

If the Master could not escape critics, how can we expect exemption?

The more Jesus dug in, the more the criticisms intensified and deepened.

Sharp words, like darts, flew faster as his life became more influential and effective.

Analyze Jesus' experience. He was called a glutton—even after he had fasted 40 days and 40 nights. He was called a winebibber, although he lived the most regulated and controlled life of any man.

He was called Beelzebub, the prince of the devils, even though he was the Son of God.

Of course the criticisms were not justified, but still they came.

They hurt him deeply, and they wounded his disciples. The devil could not find fair ways to oppose Christ, so he devised his own foul means.

of trying to undermine him by innuendo or falsehood. But Jesus would not be intimidated, nor would he be silenced by such injustice.

The principle still holds. The same devil still opposes, continuing to use his ingenuity in manufacturing clever means of opposing any force of righteousness. At times the criticisms may be like thorns in the flesh. At other times they may be like swords in the side. But they will come, and their frequency and size will continue to increase.

Jesus tried to forewarn his disciples of this operating principle which is inevitable in the life of every dynamic spiritual leader and denominational.

Training to Deal With Criticism

Southern Baptists need training in this area. The phrase, "the loneliness of leadership," grows out of the experience of men subjected to this method of attack. Any Christian leader is a prime target; all enemies converge on him.

Jesus told his disciples to beware of the life of which no one would speak evil (Luke 6:28). He knew that if a man were so ineffective, so passive, such a complete nonentity that no one ever noticed him or knew that he existed, no one would ever bother to oppose or criticize him. But who wants to leave the world untouched by the strong potentials of his life?

Jesus went further in training his disciples. He said,

"Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and perse-

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BAPTIST PERSONALITIES . . .

By John Allen Moore

Vaclav Tomes, president of the Czechoslovak Baptist Union, is an exceedingly modest and unassuming man of 63. He is rather tall, slender, white-haired and balding. In conversation he seems just to listen, as a rule, until a question is directed to him.

Mr. Tomes was ordained in 1953 and made president of the Baptist Union, after other Baptist leaders were imprisoned on charges of dealing with the Baptist World Alliance and other international activities. He served also as pastor of the larger Baptist church in Prague 1953-58, and after that he helped in smaller churches.

There is not the shadow of suspicion that Vaclav Tomes has ever made any compromise of his faith to gain favor with Communist authorities.

He studied theology for a year in the Baptist seminary of Prague, just preceding the outbreak of the second world war, and was intending to be a pastor. Then the outbreak of hostilities prevented the return of seminary student Henry Prochazka from the USA, where he had attended the Baptist World Congress in Atlanta. The seminary was closed and students dispersed.

Vaclav Tomes was born in a Roman Catholic home at Dobronice in the southern part of Bohemia in 1901. At the conclusion of public school education he went to Prague, apprenticed to a wheelwright. It happened that he roomed in a house where Baptist meetings were held, and he began to look in on some of the services.

These seemed very austere and strange compared to the colorful rites of Catholic worship he had known. He began to read the Bible, however, and became more and

more attracted to the simple Christian way.

After two years he reached a final decision and was baptized. He became a deacon in the church and a lay preacher.

He married Hana Svehlova of Prague in 1939. They have no children.

Administrative work is a chore for Mr. Tomes. Despite his shyness, however, he likes pastoral visiting and counseling. He is preaching in some Baptist church every Sunday.

Mr. Tomes likes to read history, especially church history, but he says he spends most available reading time with his well-worn Bible.

His health was good until the fall of 1963 when he had a siege of heart and gall bladder trouble. Since then he has not been as strong as before. He is obliged to rest for a period each day, and spends more time in his fruit garden for a bit of recreation.

Relations between church and state are of course a problem. Ministers in the churches must be approved by the authorities. The state pays all pastors' salaries. Evangelistic work is limited, and any kind of expansion is frowned upon.

"But we cannot say that the authorities behave badly toward us," says Mr. Tomes. "Sometimes we have to choose other methods. But we can preach the gospel of Jesus Christ. We have about as much freedom as we can use."

The total number of Baptists in Czechoslovakia is 4,200. There were 60 baptisms last year.

"When there are difficulties we are drawn closer to the Lord," says this Baptist leader. "We then become more than ever aware of our own weakness and our dependence upon him."



THE WEEK OF PRAYER for Home Missions to be observed March 7-14 will center attention on every phase of the work of the Home Mission Board. One important ministry is that of juvenile rehabilitation. A counselor is seen with a boy on an outing.



FLOOD RELIEF—Food and clothing for persons displaced by floods in the mountainous northern California coastal region must still be flown in. Here E. J. Combs, left, director of language missions for California Southern Baptists, starts the chain of unloading, most of the supplies for members of the church at Hoopa, Calif. Missionary superintendent George Kendall and Eureka, Calif., is putting the boxes in the station wagon. Between Combs and Kendall stand H. D. Shields, Hoopa church pastor, and Mrs. Shields. (BP) photo from California Southern Baptist.



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The Art Of...

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cute you, and say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake' (Mark 5:11). Consider criticism a compliment? That was Jesus' attitude when men hurled distorted accusations toward him.

Critics twisted situations, blew up little incidental circumstances, added exciting half-truths to fact, and even fabricated outright lies to gain points of attack against Jesus. But Jesus did not yield to their injustice. Had he done so he would have been finished. He kept his courage and love. He held his position.

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Techniques of Criticism
Some critics use the subtle guilt by association technique. When no direct point of attack can be found against the wonderful character and life of a pastor or his family, for instance, the critics seek and discover evil in the life of someone else. He widely publicizes that, then tries to prove that the preacher is related either in kinship or partnership in some illicit way to that person of known evil. The same guilt by association tactic is used against our denomination constantly. People cannot find enough against Southern Baptists to attack, so they attack others and then try to prove that we have unwarranted relationships with them. Anyone who knows the strategy of Satan is not going to be influenced unduly by such goings on of the devil. But many innocent people who do not understand how these things work will be upset by them.

Toward Denominational Maturity

Criticisms of the denomination, its churches, and Southern Baptist people, have been and will be on the increase, but we must not fall into the devil's trap and conclude that because of criticism, things are "going to pot." Understand facts. Baptists are gaining in size and influence and are digging in. The devil doesn't like it. He's fighting mad. The best alternative for Southern Baptists is to recognize how criticism is developed and used, accept it in stride as a price of leadership, and try to live as much like Christ as possible. We need to recognize that the more the people of the denomination become like Christ, the ranker and fiercer such criticism will become against us.

Are we mature enough to face up to the nature, causes and trends of unjustified criticism? Are we courageous enough not to back down every time the devil points his finger or hurls an angry dart our way? History will reveal the kind of maturity we show.



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YWA HOUSEPARTIES

The first of two YWA Houseparties in Mississippi is being held this weekend, February 5-7, at Gulfshore Baptist Assembly. Most of those in attendance will be girls and counselors from churches in the Southern part of our state.

For YWA members, prospective members, and leaders in the Northern section of Mississippi, there will be a houseparty at Camp Lake Stephens, the weekend of February 26-28. Two of the missionary speakers who will be featured on the program at Lake Stephens are Mrs. Guy Henderson, Missionary to Korea, and Miss Danny Stampley, Missionary to Ghana.

YWA Directors have been mailed materials concerning this houseparty; however, should additional information be desired, please contact the WMA Office, Box 530, Jackson and we'll be happy to send information.



Miss Danny Stampley



Mrs. Guy Henderson

"The mind is the measure of a man. What he does may not be what he is, so much as what he thinks."—Carl C. Wood, Plains (Tex.) Record.

Japan Baptists Air

First TV Series

The Japan Baptist Convention will soon launch its first television series, a 13-week run of "The Answer" over RKB-TV in Fukuoka.

"The Answer," produced by the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission, will be the first series of its kind ever seen on Japanese television, says Rev. Worth C. Grant, Southern Baptist missionary in that country. Behind the Japanese presentation of the series lie more than three years of effort in negotiations and in translating and dubbing dialogue for the filmed programs, he says.

Missionary Coleman D. Clarke, who as associate secretary of the evangelism department of the Japan Convention has spent hundreds of hours preparing for the series,

expects it will be well received in Fukuoka and vicinity, an area of relative Baptist strength.

To take advantage of interest roused by the programs, a book, "New Life in God," has been prepared by Jordan Press, Japanese Baptist publishing agency, to be sent to all who request it. It consists of translations of eight messages from the Billy Graham radio series, "The Hour of Decision."

Mr. Grant points out that although this will be the first TV series for Japanese Baptists, the medium was used for evangelistic purposes during the Japan Baptist New Life Movement in 1963, when several mass meetings in Tokyo were televised over a nationwide network.

He says that 80 percent of Japanese homes have television sets and that virtually the only restriction on the presentation of the gospel via TV is the extremely high cost of prime time. The Fukuoka station will carry "The Answer" at a greatly reduced rate.

First, Eupora To Celebrate 75th Anniversary

First Church, Eupora, will celebrate its 75th anniversary on February 7. The church was organized on February 2, 1890 by Rev. J. T. Christian, a field worker for the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, with seven charter members. The church grew to a membership of thirty-three the first year and today has a membership of 650. Rev. William S. Stewart is the present pastor.

The activities of the day will begin with Sunday school, followed by the Anniversary Worship Service. A basket dinner will be served at the church. In the afternoon a groundbreaking service will be held for a new educational building. There will be a reception at 2:15 p.m. honoring the former pastors and their wives.

The day will be climaxed with a pageant, "Pillars of Silver." The pageant will use over 100 in the cast to tell the story of the history of the church. This will be at 5:30 p.m.

MISSIONARY'S MOTHER DIES

Mrs. C. S. Bigham, mother of Mrs. James D. Belote, missionary to Hong Kong, died January 18 in Blue Mountain, Miss.

Mrs. Belote, now on furlough, may be addressed at 4127 Seminary Place, New Orleans, La., 70100. The former Martha Bigham, she is a native of Water Valley, Miss.

PRESENTING!



Fourteen Christ-honoring, soul-winning and church-building messages by Dr. Byram H. Glaze, Pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, Columbus, Georgia.

Dr. Glaze has been the pastor of this growing church for seventeen years. He has preached on TV and radio. For the past ten years he has broadcast his 11:00 A.M. worship service. He

has conducted revivals in six states and Cuba. He has had orders for these messages from all fifty states and 23 foreign countries. There

are almost a million copies of his messages in print. These messages make people think.

All pastors, Sunday School and Church workers who want to reach people should have these messages.

THEY ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. WHERE ARE THE DEAD?

This message answers the following questions: Where were the wicked dead before Christ? Where were the saved dead before Christ? Do the dead know anything? Where are the dead now? Do people in Heaven know what is taking place on earth? A message everyone should read.

2. 20 REASONS WHY YOU MUST BE SAVED

How to be saved; how to know you are saved, and what to do after you are saved are explained in full. A man in Alabama said, "I have been a Sunday School teacher and deacon for 52 years. During this time I have read everything I could find on the plan of salvation, but this message is the best I have read." He bought 200 to use in visitation. This message is helpful for pastors, Sunday School workers, and all who would be soul winners.

3. YES SIR, I KNOW THE BIBLE REASONS WHY YOU DO NOT GO TO CHURCH

These reasons will certainly blast the excuses people make for not attending church by showing from the Bible why they do not go.

4. BIBLE REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD GO TO CHURCH

No one will ever be the same after reading this Bible-centered, hard-hitting message. It will close the mouth of the ungodly.

5. A MESSAGE FROM THE DEVIL

A letter from the devil to unfaithful church members makes Christians think. It cuts like a two-edged sword. The author has been praised and cursed for this message, but God surely has used it. A lady writes, "This message alone is worth a dollar to me."

6. A MESSAGE FROM HELL TO YOU

The author believes the rich man in hell would love to tell people on earth what hell is like, so he tries to describe it from his knowledge of the Bible. You will never forget this message after reading it. Rev. C. E. Blumenthal of Lakeland, Ga., writes, "It is one of the most effective pieces of Gospel literature I have ever seen."

Rev. J. C. Johnston of Chattanooga, Tenn., writes, "God is still using these in a mighty way. Surely many souls have been saved, and our desire is to reach more in '65. Our church is growing." Rev. Johnston has used over 10,000 in his visitation program.



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BECKER URGES NEW DRIVE FOR SCHOOL PRAYER BILL

WASHINGTON, D.C. (EP) — Rep. Frank J. Becker (Rep.-N.Y.) who failed to bring to a vote his proposed Constitutional Amendment legalizing devotional exercises in public schools, has promised to continue support of the measure from outside Congress.

"I intend to do all I possibly can to influence members of the House, friends and former colleagues to take an active part as possible in pushing this through," he said. Mr. Becker did not run for re-election in November.

He did not indicate specifically which Congressman would take up the fight in Congress for the amendment, which is designed to override U. S. Supreme Court rulings that prayer and devotional Bible reading in public schools are unconstitutional.

7. A MESSAGE FROM JOHN TO DADDY

This heart warming and touching message written from the viewpoint of a junior boy to his daddy about going to church.

8. THESE BABIES I HAVE MET

A description of the activities of "Church Babies," calling them by name, is presented in this sermon. It should be placed in the hands of every unfaithful church member.

9. THE DEVIL'S DELIGHTS

The author gives six things he would do if he were the devil. This is a thought provoking, life changing message. Five people made public decisions for the Lord the morning this sermon was preached.

10. YOUR CHILD

Durward B. Mercer, Judge, Juvenile Court Bibb County, Georgia has the following to say about this message. "Dr. Byram H. Glaze has provided us with the finest of approaches and a scriptural challenge to accept our responsibility for meeting the greatest need our children will ever have."

11. DEVIL'S JUICE

A Bible centered, sin denouncing message against strong drink. It will move your soul and life into action against this tool of the devil.

12. THE WRATH OF GOD

You will find this message to be a very strong warning to sinners and backsliders. The way to appreciate the message is to read it.

13. THE RESURRECTION OF THE BODY

This message answers many of the questions asked the author through the years by giving chapter and verse concerning the subject. It tells when the dead are raised and how long it will take the Lord to raise the dead. It gives Bible answers as to where we go at death, will babies remain babies through eternity? What will our new bodies resemble? Will we know one another in Heaven? And many other questions. This message is a must for every Christian.

14. WHY RUSSIA DID NOT FIGHT THE U.S. OVER CUBA

While millions of Americans stored up food and water, and built bomb shelters during the Cuban crises, the author was announcing the above sermon title, and preparing his message. After hearing it, many people wanted this message put in print. The author shows from the Bible why Russia and America will not fight over Cuba, shows where they will fight, how their armies will be destroyed, and who will win. This prophetic message should be read by every one.

These booklets will get results for the Lord and church.

Mr. Wayne DeHart, a Baptist deacon and business man of Hickory, North Carolina, bought 5,000 to use in laymen led revivals. They are printed in fourteen individual booklets with attractive and unusual eye-catching jackets.

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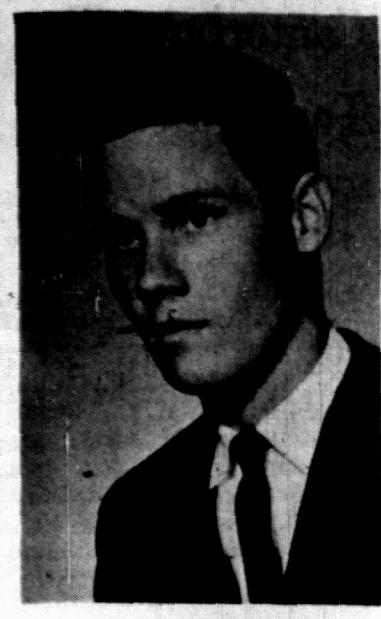
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Rev. David Poe

CALLED TO UNION COUNTY

Rev. David Poe has recently been called as pastor of Temple Church, Myrtle, and Old Oak Grove Church, near Myrtle, in Union County Association.

Mr. Poe, a former member of Algoma Church in Pontotoc County, is married to the former Billie Taylor of Troy. They have one daughter, Sandra, age 15 months.

Poe was ordained to the ministry by the Algoma Church, attended Itawamba Junior College two years, and Miss. State University a few months, before moving to the pastor's home at Temple Church. He has enrolled at Blue Mountain College.

Mobile Home Honors Alumnus Of Seminary

NEW ORLEANS (BP) — A \$3,500 mobile home has been given to New Orleans Baptist Seminary here as a memorial to Doyle William Vickery, a minister and recent alumnus.

The Ponderosa Co. gave the home to the Seminary. Mrs. Vickery was present when the home was presented. A South Carolina couple will be the first occupants of the new mobile home.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON—

Parables Of The Kingdom

By Clifton J. Allen

Matthew 13

Opposition against Jesus by the religious rulers became so intense that they viciously charged him with being in league with Satan. Their hearts were hopelessly hard; they closed their eyes least they should see. In view of their attitude, Jesus began a new method of teaching—using parables which kept the truth from those unwilling to receive it and which impressed the truth on his disciples in a way they never could forget. Matthew 13 is a collection of parables. The first four have to do with the growth and development of the kingdom; the last three have to do with the inherent worth of the kingdom.

The presence of evil in the world is a fact. Evil and good are mingled together now. It will not always be so. There will be a separation of the wicked from the righteous in the judgment. In the meantime, let Christians have faith, and let them be faithful.

The Lesson Explained WHEAT AND TARES (vv. 24-30)

The parable, on the surface, seems simple enough. A man sowed wheat in his field. Without his knowledge, an enemy came and sowed tares—darnel or an obnoxious weed—in the same field. When the tares sprang up, along with the wheat, they were so much like the wheat they could not be recognized. Later on, the tares were easily recognizable for what they really were. When the servants reported to the owner about the tares, he knew immediately that they were the result of an enemy's subtle wickedness. Nothing could be done to solve the problem immediately. The owner instructed the servants to leave them together until the harvest, when the reapers could gather out the tares and burn them and gather the wheat into the barn.

THE INTERPRETATION (vv. 36-43)

The disciples of Jesus were puzzled. When he sent the multitude away and went into the house, the disciples asked him to interpret the parable to them. Again, on the surface, Jesus' answer seems simple. The meaning seems to be this. Christ is at work in the world. He is saving people from sin. Those who believe in him are the children of the kingdom of heaven. They are a part of the world of humanity. They must live in the world order. But the devil is also at work. Those who do the works of the devil are the children of the devil. They too are a part of the world of humanity. They must live in the world order. At some stages and in many ways, the children of evil are not easily distinguishable from the children of the kingdom. But their works will later make them clearly manifest.

The kingdom of heaven must make its progress, so far as this age is concerned, in the presence of evil. Unbelievers are not immediately destroyed. But at the consummation of the age, in the judgment, the angels of the Lord will separate all the workers of iniquity from among the children of the kingdom; and the workers of iniquity will be cast into a place of torment and agony and grief.

THE APPLICATION

The field is the world; hence the kingdom of heaven re-

lates to the whole world. It has meaning for the whole of humanity, for every person, and for the totality of the individual's life and of society. Persons who are not children of the kingdom are children of the evil one. The field, the world, belongs to the Son of man. The devil claims the world, but Christ has never acceded to his claim.

The devil is the enemy of Christ and does all he can to corrupt and to hinder the kingdom of heaven. He sows the seed of wickedness. But God in Christ, with infinite patience and long suffering and wisdom, allows the children of the evil one to continue through this age. Many of these persons will respond to the truth in the gospel of Christ and become children of the kingdom of heaven. Many will not. The day of judgment will come. Final and eternal separation will take place—the wicked to go away into everlasting torment and the righteous to be gathered into the eternal habitation and glory of their redeemer.

Truths to Live By

The kingdom of heaven is dynamic life.—By the parable Jesus was teaching something about the nature of his kingdom. It is something alive and dynamic. It is marked by growth. It is a force in this world which is the life and

power and redemption and love and rule of Christ in the hearts of his people. In spite of the opposition of evil and the aggressive and deadly work of Satan, the kingdom of God is making progress. The reconciling love of Christ, the power of his cross, the redemptive truth of the gospel, the energies of the Holy Spirit, and the witness of the people of God are the means being used by the risen Lord to bring his kingdom toward fulfillment. And that fulfillment will come through his return and power and glory.

Christians must live in relation to evil.—It was necessary for Christ to come into the world of evil. His followers cannot expect to live in isolation from evil. They are meant to be examples and instruments of his redemption and righteousness. They are meant to live in relationship with evil men, not for communion but for communication, to witness to them the message of Christ's love and the reality of his salvation and the power of his kingdom. In the strength of the Lord and through the help of his Spirit, Christians can face evil and overcome it. They can be light in the midst of darkness, and thus they can be the means whereby the children of darkness, are brought to Christ.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Dan C. Hall, Secretary

Miss Martha Gene Shutt, Office Secretary

1965 Mississippi District Hymn Playing Festivals

DATES AND LOCATIONS

APRIL 8, 1965

First Baptist Church, Calhoun City; First Baptist Church, Columbus; First Baptist Church, Greenwood; First Baptist Church, Gulfport; First Baptist Church, Natchez.

APRIL 9, 1965

Clarksdale Baptist Church, Clarksdale; First Baptist Church, Louisville; First Baptist Church, McComb; Calvary Baptist Church, Tupelo; First Baptist Church, Vicksburg.

APRIL 10, 1965

First Baptist Church, Booneville; First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg; Broadmoor Baptist Church, Jackson; Magnolia Street Baptist Church, Laurel; Poplar Springs Dr. Baptist Church, Meridian; First Baptist Church, Senatobia.

SCHEDULE

Thursday, April 8; Friday, April 9; Saturday, April 10
6:15 p.m. Registration 9:15 a.m. Registration
6:30 p.m. Festival Begins 9:30 a.m. Festival Begins
(The festival at First Baptist, McComb begins at 5:45 p.m.)

RULES FOR HYMN PLAYERS

- The hymn playing festival is open to those in the Junior (9 through 12) and Intermediate (13 through 16) age-groups.
- Each participant selects one hymn to play. The hymn should be selected from either the *Baptist Hymnal* or *Broadman Hymnal*. Since 1965 is a year of emphasis on worship, it is suggested that hymns of general worship be used. (For example, a hymn may be selected from Section I, General Worship, pages 1-39, of the *Baptist Hymnal*. Or, one of the hymns of the month for 1965 may be chosen.)
- The hymn and variation should be memorized.
- The following procedure should be observed in playing the hymn:
 - Each participant, when it comes time for him to play, will announce the name of the hymn, the composer, and the key in which the hymn is written.
 - First, he will play the hymn as written.
 - Second, he will play the hymn while the congregation sings one stanza. (A song leader will be furnished.) A suitable introduction should be given. (A chord is permissible.)
 - Third, he will play a variation suitable for offertory either original or transcription. If a transcription is used, only a portion equal to the length of one stanza of the hymn should be played.
- The hymn player will be judged on the following ten points: memory, accuracy, smoothness, time, following leader, style and taste, foundation chords, striking keys together, variation, and general effect. The judging will be done constructively and not critically.
- There is no limit to the number of participants which may enter from a church.

REGISTRATION

Each participant should pre-register by April 1, 1965. This may be done by sending the information below to the Church Music Department, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi. When several participants enter from one church, it is requested that one person (music director, piano teacher) send all the information in an envelope for the participants.

Furnish the following on each hymn player:

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The 1965 hymn playing festival program is being planned, conducted, and evaluated by a Hymn Playing Planning Group, Herbert Batson, chairman, in co-operation with the Church Music Department, Dan C. Hall, state music secretary, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

Sunday Reports

Sunday School Attendance Training Union Attendance

	JANUARY 31, 1965	
Aberdeen, 1st	322	116
Amory, 1st	392	127
Belden	140	56
Blythe Creek	74	34
Booneville, 1st	374	172
Main	312	126
Mississippi	295	111
Blow, Emmanuel	392	173
Brace, 1st	412	173
Canton, 1st	364	157
Main	18	18
Carthage, 1st	246	102
Clarkdale, Oakhurst	620	193
Clinton, Morrison Hts.	651	222
Columbus, 1st	509	202
Crystal Springs, 1st	201	108
Greenville, Emmanuel	311	115
Greenville, Parkview	535	207
Grindrod, North	542	207
Grenada, First	254	69
Grace Mem.	21	22
Northward	31	22
Hattiesburg	97	78
Hickory Crest	636	193
First	835	348
Main Street	785	306
North Main	15	11
Waynedale	352	157
38th Ave.	243	157
University	176	79
Indiana, Second	258	101
Indiana, 1st	241	101
Jackson:		
McAllister Park	69	38
Forest Hill	184	66
Woodville Heights	256	103
Broadmoor	1250	507
Raymond Road	100	108
First	1365	207
Ridgeway Street	266	122
Colonial Hts.	269	87
Crestwood	268	153
McLaurin Hts.	15	128
Lakeview Mission	15	12
Parkhill	130	120
Van Winkle	577	244
Highland	363	173
Ridgecrest	814	312
Southside	316	157
Calvary	157	4
Mission	61	45
Alta Woods	1009	408
Oak Forest	472	198
West Jackson	462	207
Hillcrest	237	108
Windsor Hills	516	150
Flag Chapel	34	36
Kosciusko, 1st	461	146
Main	450	141
Maple Street	11	5
Laurel:		
Whitehern	192	121
Plainway	303	99
Second Avenue	162	114
Main	341	124
Mission	90	29
First	488	188
Magnolia St.	411	220
Highland	447	168
Wildwood	291	111
Ludlow	69	38
Union	202	75
Roundaway	24	22
Meridian:		
Fellowship	99	45
Westwood	163	109
Maple	123	84
Hickory	117	46
Grove Chapel	173	108
Midway	387	150
Calvary	343	133
Main	21	17
Fewell Survey Miss.	448	221
First Springs Miss.	483	221
Fifteenth Avenue	458	162
Oakland Heights	538	202
Poplar Springs Driv.	515	202
State Street	211	102
Mountain Creek	65	39
New Albany, Northside	164	104
Pearson	325	29
Petal-Harvey	318	113
Main	10	10
Memorial Drive	169	120
Petal, Crestview	346	188
Picayune, 1st	494	1
Main	16	1

DEVOTION—

God Loves That Way

By Dr. R. T. Blackstock, Jr.,
Pastor's Assistant, First Church, Jackson

With ease and confidence John 3:16 can be quoted even by those who are vaguely acquainted with scripture. But to define, and understand completely the meaning of God's love referred to in this verse is beyond the ability of the best students of the Bible. The song writer made an effort at such definition in saying:

The love of God is greater far
Than tongue or pen can ever tell
It goes beyond the highest star
And reaches to the lowest hell.

One difficulty which hinders our understanding of God's love is to think of it primarily in terms of quantity. Thus we think of how much God loves man. Though the idea of quantity may be true, the how much may not be meaningful as the kind.

The emphasis upon how much leads one to think of God's love in terms of man's love—with God possessing a greater supply.

John 3:16 has more to say about God's love than just the amount of love involved. It is the kind of love that could find expression only in the self-giving of God himself in the revelation of Jesus Christ. Therefore it is a love which man could not have discovered nor imagined; but God had to reveal it if it would ever become known.

"For in such a manner did God love the world, inasmuch that His Son, the uniquely begotten One, He gave . . ." (The New Testament An Expanded Translation)

But God's love for man did not end with the coming of Christ. God IS love. And he wants to give man a new kind of life by means of his kind of love. God loves that way.

RECEIVES DEGREE—Charles A. Tidwell (third from left) receives his doctoral hood from (l to r) Joe Davis Heacock, dean, School of Religious Education; Leon Marsh, chairman, graduate studies, School of Religious Education; and Robert E. Naylor, seminary president. Dr. Tidwell is a former Mississippi, now employed by the Sunday School Board in Nashville.



DUNCAN NOTEURNING — Left to right, J. T. Oswalt, deacon; Elgin Lester, treasurer and trustee; Rev. Odie Henderson, pastor; T. N. Boschert, chairman of deacons; M. D. Dunn, deacon; Harry Boschert, deacon. Others not included in picture are, J. R. Wolfe, trustee and retired deacon; T. M. Boschert, trustee; B. B. Durr, deacon; C. W. Boschert, Jr., deacon.

DUNCAN CHURCH BURNS NOTE

A note burning representing the retirement of all indebtedness on the Duncan Church building was a part of the morning worship hour Sunday January 10.

The last payment on the \$25,000.00 indebtedness on the approximately \$70,000.00 structure was made in December. This was made possible when the church exceeded a Thanksgiving Note Retirement Goal of \$3,030.00 by \$1,200.00, according to Rev.

Odie Henderson, pastor.

The church was organized May 30, 1913, and soon moved into a building which it occupied until moving into the present structure in 1956. There will be a formal dedication service for the building at a date to be announced later in the spring.

Mrs. Van Lester, a charter member of the church, is assisting the Historical Committee in compiling an accurate history of the church.

Names In The News

R. Othal Feather, professor of education administration at Southwestern Seminary since 1947, has accepted the invitation of the Foreign Mission Board to serve as guest professor and to provide leadership in various church programs in the Middle East during the spring semester. He will teach religious education and educational evangelism courses at the Arab Theological Seminary in Beirut, Lebanon, from Feb. 16 through June 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Betha Fielding of Piedmont, Alabama, have resigned their position as Minister of Music and Youth, to accept duties in the same capacity at College Heights Church, of Gadsden, Ala. Mrs. Fielding is the former Sandra Coker of Phila., Miss. They have two daughters, Marketta, 4 years, and Monica, 3 months.

Bill D. Moyers, Marshall, Texas, an ordained Baptist minister who serves as aide to President Lyndon B. Johnson, has been named one of five outstanding young men of Texas by the state's Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Baptist Pastor
Is Inducted

Rev. Hans Pfeifer, German minister who served several years as a missionary pastor in Brazil, was inducted January 10 as pastor of the 28-member Baptist mission congregation in Graz, Austria. Rev. Ferdinand Schäckl, minister of First Baptist Church in Vienna, which is responsible for the work in Graz, conducted the service. Graz is Austria's second largest city. —(EBPS)

NORTH CAROLINA STUDIES
COLLEGE CAPITAL NEEDS

RALEIGH, N. C. (BP)—The general board of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina has authorized the appointment of a 28-member advisory group to study capital needs in the convention's seven colleges.

W. Perry Crouch, Raleigh, general secretary-treasurer, has said the advisory committee would not be pushed for a report or for recommendations. "I do not foresee any recommendations from this committee to our convention next November, but perhaps something will be ready by the spring of 1966. If so, a special convention can be called."

In another action, the board petitioned the 1965 general assembly "to make no changes in the laws relating to the manufacture of whiskey in North Carolina nor to the sale of whiskey by the drink."

Preacher To Use
Turbine Vehicle

HUNTINGTON, W. Va. (BP)—Things have come a long way since Baptist preachers traveled by foot or horseback to carry on their ministry.

Alton H. McEachern, pastor of Westmoreland Baptist Church here, is one of 200 people in the United States who will drive an experimental turbine automobile for 90 days.

Chrysler Corp. selected the

A Mississippi tour to Europe, Near East, and Bible lands is being offered by Dr. Clyde C. Bryan, pastor of First Church, Hattiesburg. The 24-day tour via jet will leave Jackson on June 9.

The tour will include visits to London, Athens, Cairo, Beirut, Jerusalem, Nazareth, Damascus, Tel Aviv, Rome, Zurich (and the International Baptist Seminary), Lucerne, Paris, and New York.

The tour price of \$1630 includes all costs, roundtrip from Jackson. Included are transportation, sightseeing, all meals, tips, deluxe hotels, transfers, airport taxes, and many "bonus features." All expenses in New York are included, plus tickets to the World's Fair and other attractions.

The itinerary was planned by Dr. Bryan and based on his previous travels abroad. He and Mrs. Bryan will be assisted by native guides in each country. Special religious services are planned at inspirational places in the Bible lands.

Several churches are planning to send their pastors on this panoramic tour. It is arranged so a pastor will not miss more than three Sundays away from his pulpit.

Colorful brochures will be sent to those making request. The tour party is limited and is filling quite rapidly, Dr. Bryan stated.

drivers from among 30,000 who wrote in volunteering to operate the new type vehicles.



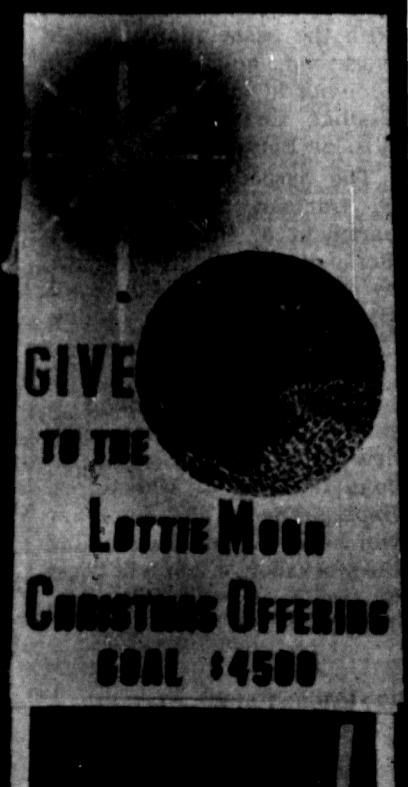
AT IUKA CHURCH Mrs. Bertha Newcomb, WMS president, hands a check for \$1,912.22 to James L. Broughton, treasurer, as the church's contribution to the Lottie Moon Offering. The goal was \$1,207.50, a record goal which was exceeded by over \$700. The church has set a contract for a new \$150,000 sanctuary, according to the pastor, Rev. Bobby Burrell. In addition, they have voted to raise Cooperative Program giving from 16 to 18 per cent of the total budget.

New Booklet On
Mentally Retarded
Now Available

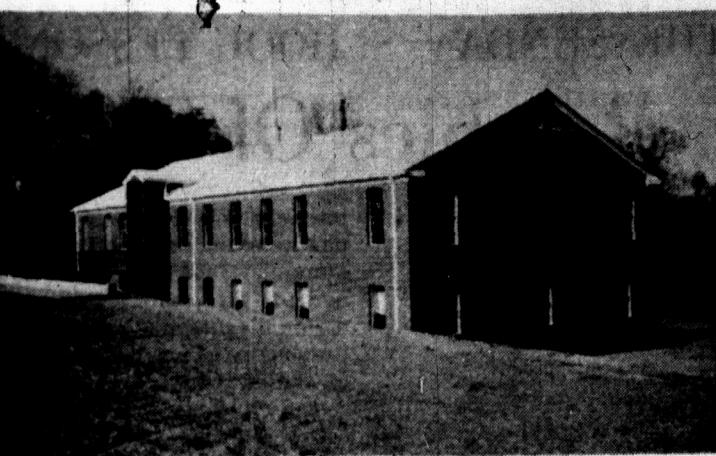
JEFFERSON CITY, Missouri — An intensified ministry to the mentally retarded by Missouri Baptists through their office of special ministries has produced a new publication, "A Church's Ministry to Mentally Retarded."

The 30-page booklet is an effort to assist Baptist churches in a ministry to both the severely retarded in church and the profoundly retarded at home, and their families. It not only offers a general discussion of mental retardation and the responsibility of the churches, but also presents a program for the local church in its ministry to retarded persons.

Free copies of the booklet are available according to supply from the Office of Special Ministries, Baptist Building, 213 Adams, Jefferson City, Missouri.



DR. T. R. MCKIBBENS, pastor, First Church, Laurel, stands beside the display board used to promote the annual Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. The goal for 1964 was \$4,500, about \$200 more than was received in 1963. The total amount of the offering was \$4,811.64, and the pastor was privileged to turn on the last of the lights, indicating that the goal had been reached.

Washington Church Dedicates
Newly Constructed Building

On Sunday, January 17, at the regular morning worship hour, the Washington Church held a dedication service for their newly constructed church building.

The principal speaker for the occasion was Dr. E. R. Pinson, head of the Department of Religion at Mississippi College. Also participating on the program was Rev. E. O. Smith, a former pastor of the church, and currently serving as pastor of Clayton Church, Clayton, Louisiana.

An "Open House" for the public was held during the afternoon from two until four.

The new site of the church is on an eight acre plot acquired in 1960, and is located on Highway 84 East at Washington. The building is a two story brick veneer structure and has a floor space of 8232 square feet. It provides for educational facilities and an interim auditorium with a seating capacity of 250.

The building includes provisions for five adult class rooms; a Young People and Intermediate department with four class rooms each; a Junior department with four class rooms; three Primary departments; two Beginner departments; three Nurseries; a church office, pastor's study, and five restrooms.

Alaska Gifts Up

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (BP)—Cooperative Program receipts in the 19-year-old Alaska Baptist Convention amounted to a record \$43,288 in 1964. The 28% per cent increase over the previous year was the largest ever recorded in the convention.

The building is centrally heated and air-conditioned.

J. A. Russ Construction Co. of Natchez, Miss., was the builder with Lee and Brumfield of Jackson as Architects. Cost of construction was \$74,966.00.

Rev. Burnis Barrett is pastor of the Washington Church.

TRIBUTE TO
BROOKS NOBLE

Brooks Noble, 23, was injured in an explosion of firecrackers on December 31, 1964, and died during the following night. Funeral services were held January 4, with his pastor, Dr. Allen Webb, officiating.

Brooks, a student at Hinds Junior College, was an active member of Daniel Memorial Baptist Church, Jackson, particularly in the field of music.

Survivors include his parents, Maudie Lee and Garland Noble, Jackson, (also members of Daniel Memorial); and one sister, Judith (Mrs. Dell Dowell of Murray, Kentucky).

His parents have written concerning Brooks. "Our precious son's light step, his precious voice, and the smile he always had are things that are hard to live without. He was so dependable, and we had come to lean on him. His time was anybody's time who needed it, and especially the Lord's. How he loved the church!"

"We wish to thank our many friends for calls, cards, and visits that mean so much, and that help to ease our pain in facing days and nights without him."

Canterbury To
Tour Russia

Dr. Kermit Canterbury, pastor of Griffith Memorial Church in Jackson, plans to spend the month of August in Russia as a member of a group that will tour that country.

Dr. W. A. Criswell, Dallas, Texas, and Dr. W. O. Vaught, Little Rock, Arkansas, are conductors of the tour that will include Leningrad, Moscow, Odessa, Kharkov, Kiev in Russia as well as cities in England, Scotland, Norway, Sweden, Finland, Austria, Czechoslovakia and Germany.

Dr. Vought states that twelve or fourteen men will be asked to make up the group that will study Baptist life in Russia. Another highlight of the trip will be fifteen evening conferences planned to explore "the deeper Christian life."

Another highlight is an observance of the twentieth anniversary of V. J. Day in London, Dr. Canterbury, a former chaplain with 82nd Airborne Division, recalls this unique experience. War had ceased in Europe four months earlier. He inveigled a trip to London, telling his commanding officer that he would celebrate the end of the war there. Yes, he arrived on the very day and found a celebration beyond description.

Dr. Kermit Canterbury has been at Griffith church for eight years.

Revival Dates

McArthur Street Church, Pascagoula; March 1-7; Rev.

Manley Beasley (pictured) full-time evangelist, preaching Price Harris, minister of music at Satsuma, Alabama, in charge of music; Rev. Ronnie Herrod, pastor; services at 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Among teen-agers, almost 75 per cent are in school.

Wind Damages
New Radio-TV
Construction

FORT WORTH, Tex.—Gusting winds blew down a 130-foot long concrete block east wall of the new Radio and Television Commission building now under construction about 4:20 p. m. Monday of last week in Fort Worth.

Two Negro workmen injured slightly in the freak accident were at work bracing the wall when it tumbled. Melvin Rabb, 37, of 5504 Kilpatrick, was dismissed after overnight treatment for a cut on his back. Willie Washington, 60, of 3017 Loving, remained in fair condition in the intensive care ward of Harris Hospital with head and shoulder abrasions.

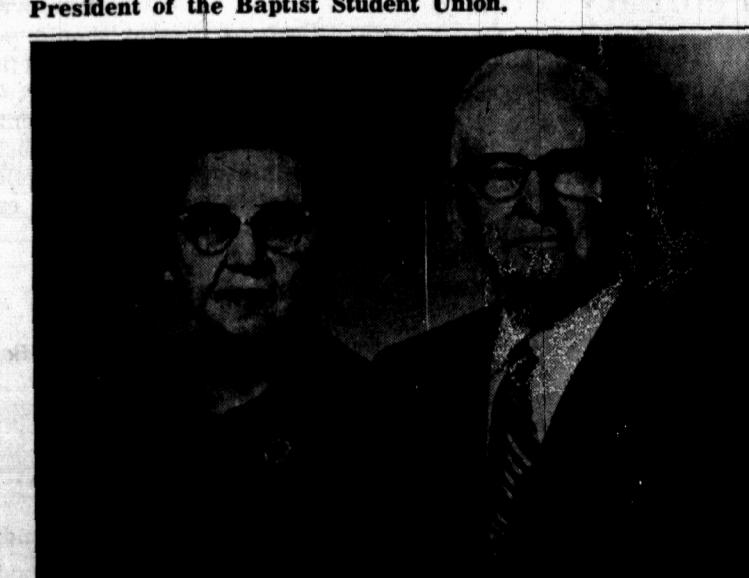
W. G. Smith, foreman of the construction project for Albert Smith Construction Co., was on another part of the wall when the wind hit. He said it happened so suddenly there was no time to warn anybody. Smith indicated the accident will not hamper the scheduled June completion.

Larry White, of the architectural firm, Hueppelsheuser and White, said the wall was completely covered by insurance and that it will be rebuilt immediately.

Dr. Paul Stevens, director of the commission, is in California on a filming project and was not available for comment.

Architectural
Clinics Planned

CHICAGO, Illinois—Church architectural form, its bearing on worship and religious education, and how the individual church can achieve the right answer to its building needs will be explored in plenary sessions and a series of clinics at the 26th National Conference on Church Architecture. The conference will be held April 27, 28 and 29 at the Pick-Congress Hotel in Chicago. More than 1200 church architects, ecclesiastical craftsmen, clergymen, church executives and laymen from across the nation will attend.



MARRIED SIXTY YEARS—Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Furr of Columbus celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on December 15, 1964. Mr. Furr, now retired, attended Mississippi College; he served pastorates in Louisiana and in Mississippi. The last one was Border Springs Church, Lowndes County. Rev. and Mrs. Furr have five children: Mrs. C. A. Barge, Macon; Mrs. I. D. Stacy, Aliceville, Ala.; Mrs. C. E. Clark, San Rafael, Calif.; Carl Furr, Eutaw, Alabama; and J. W. Furr, Columbus. They have ten grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren. Two of their granddaughters married ministers and are serving on the mission field in South America.